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FOLLOWING IS UNEDITED TRANSCRIPT FROM COMMONS QUESTION
PERIOD APRIL 2 CONCERNING U.S. - CANADIAN PIPELINE AGREEMENT:

BEGIN QUOTE:

MR. GORTON RITCHIE (DAUPHIN): MR. SPEAKER, MY QUESTION IS
FOR THE MINISTER OF ENERGY, MINES AND RESOURCES. IS THE
GOVERNMENT OF CANADA CURRENTLY NEGOTIATING A GENERAL PIPE-
LINE AGREEMENT WITH THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT? IF SO, WHAT
ARE THE GENERAL OUTLINES AND OBJECTIVES OF THAT PARTICULAR
AGREEMENT?

HON. DONALD S. MACDONALD (MINISTER OF ENERGY, MINES AND
RESOURCES): MR. SPEAKER, WE HAVE HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH
UNITED STATES OFFICIALS IN THIS REGARD. AT THE MOMENT ONE
COULD NOT DESCRIBE THEM AS BEING SO SPECIFIC AS NEGOTIATIONS.
THE AMERICANS ARE CURRENTLY CONSIDERING THEIR POSITION.

MR. RITCHIE: WILL THE APPROVAL FOR THE GAS ARCTIC PIPELINE
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BY THE RESPECTIVE REGULATORY AGENCIES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES

BE CONTINGENT ON THE GENERAL PIPELINE AGREEMENT OR WILL
IT STAND BY ITSELF AS A SEPARATE ENTITY?

MR. MACDONALD (ROSEDALE): MR. SPEAKER, I REALLY CANNOT
COMMENT WITH REGARD TO THE FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION
IN THE UNITED STATES. WITH REGARD TO THE NATIONAL ENERGY
BOARD, AS THE HON. MEMBER KNOWS, THAT IS COVERED BY A
STATUTE WHICH SETS OUT THE CONDITIONS.

END QUOTE

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